

me, have stood in the way of availability. They've told us we should have the highest possible quality and we should have it to the extent that if you don't have the quality you shouldn't have availability of medical services. Wrong. I want not to chose between high quality unavailable medical services and available lower quality medical services, that's a, that's a Hob's choice, a Hobson's choice, that's a lousy choice. One of the things I would recommend to the people in the lobby is that the ba...is that the, the bankers, boy, that tells you where I...what work I do normally. What the doctors ought to do, it seems to me, is to formulate a committee inside the Medical Association that they control with which to hear potential nurse practitioners who want to serve rural Nebraska. And then I think the doctors ought to go out and find among them their colleagues, their hospitals, people in the professionals, and locate places for those willing nurse practitioners to serve rural Nebraska and they could (inaudible) the doctors on the side of availability, not fighting availability, but...

SENATOR WILL: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...assuring availability. That doesn't get written by law, that gets done by people of good faith working together. It seems to me that if there was that kind of committee, that in two years they could come back to say to us, look, we had twenty nurse practitioners come to us who wanted to serve rural Nebraska and we placed eighteen of them. I'd feel good about that. If they came back and said we had twenty nurse practitioners who wanted to serve rural Nebraska and three of them are out there practicing, we just couldn't find a spot for the other seventeen, I would feel very differently. I would like to know that before I write this relationship into law. Not every issue in human nature needs to be given a legal answer. Jerry Matzke's practiced law for years, he'll tell you that there are places where the law does not provide the highest quality answer. And in determining relationships and meeting human needs and getting available health care in the rural areas, we're going to have a hard time doing that...

SENATOR WILL: Time.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...by writing rules in our nurse practitioner law that's designed to do that. Seems to me we're not at the end of our fight, actually what I think we should be asking both